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Title: STRETCHED FASTENERS

The prior application is assigned of record to Velcro Industries, B.V., a Curacao (NL) corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on April 15, 1997 at 8494/0189.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Specification	26
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Abstract	1
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Enclosures:

- Preliminary amendment, 6 pages.
- Postcard.

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/518,853, filed March 3, 2000, now Pat. No. 6,582,642, which is a continuation of application No. 09,070,865, filed April 30, 1998, now Pat. No. 6,035,498, and a continuation-in-part of application No. PCT/US98/01271, filed on January 23, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of application No. 08/789,637, filed on January 27, 1997, now abandoned. The

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disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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